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To: Rep. Urban, Diana
Subject: cross reporting of human and animal abuse

Dear Ms. Urban,

I am a faculty member at the Yale School of Medicine, and am interested in the overlap between human and animal health.

I heard on our local NPR station last night about your proposal for cross reporting of abuse between animal control and human health agencies. This sounds like a great idea for the reasons you put forward. I wanted to make you aware that I have recently published a clinical textbook for doctors, veterinarians, and public health professionals about Human-Animal medicine issues that includes a chapter on psychosocial issues and a discussion of the need for such cross-reporting.

The textbook is called "Human-Animal Medicine" --(see <http://www.us.elsevierhealth.com/ISBN/9781416068372/HumanAnimal-Medicine>).

I also wanted to make you aware of a movement by human and animal health professionals to encourage greater interdisciplinary cooperation in a "One Health" model- (see <http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/>).

Perhaps these can serve as resources to support your efforts,

With best wishes,

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